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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2009, please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-mentioned patent application.

A request for a three-month extension of time along with the requisite fee have been enclosed with this Response.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any extensions of time as well as any additional fees or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 23-3030, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.